

## Mission

The WESPDHH Outreach Program supports children who are deaf, hard of hearing, and deafblind by providing a broad array of services to families and educational programs. Services are provided at no cost and are based on the needs of each individual child.



The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, age, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability.

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[www.wesp-dhh.gov](http://www.wesp-dhh.gov)



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### Specialized Staff...

Our specialty staff can provide evaluation and assessment, consultation and/or training to support the needs of students who are deaf, hard of hearing and deafblind in the areas of:

- Educational Achievement
- Speech and/or Language Development
- Auditory Development
- Sign Communication Development
- Social/Emotional Development

In addition, Outreach staff can provide written evaluations and recommendations and can participate in the child's IEP/IFSP team meeting. All services to school districts are free of charge.

### Learning Opportunities...

The Outreach Program supports a variety of professional and parent learning opportunities

- Professional Support Networks
- Presentations, workshops and in-services
- Statewide Parent Conference

### Unique Programs...

#### Captioned Media Program

The Captioned Median Program allows individuals and professionals to borrow captioned videotapes, at no cost.

#### Deaf Mentor Project

The Deaf Mentor Project supports the child and family's development of visual communication and language and self-identity through in-home ASL instruction and interaction with specially trained Deaf Mentors.

#### American Sign Language Instruction

High schools can incorporate American Sign Language instruction in to their curriculum via distance learning labs.

#### Website

Information about the Outreach Program, the Wisconsin School for the Deaf and other links related to the education of children who are deaf and hard of hearing are available on our website [www.wesp-dhh.wi.gov](http://www.wesp-dhh.wi.gov)

#### Guide-by-Your-Side Program

The Guide-by-Your-Side Program provides in-home parent-to-parent support, information sharing and linking to resources for families with children who are newly diagnosed with hearing loss.

### Services Provided....

- Student Assessment
- Written Evaluations and Recommendations
- IEP and IFSP Participation
- Program Consultation to School Districts and Birth to 3 Programs
- Family Consultations for families with a newly diagnosed deaf or hard of hearing child
- Professional In-services, Workshops and Conferences
- Parent Workshops and Trainings

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